

NINETY-EIGHTH YEAR.

SUNDAY MORNING, JULY 23, 1905.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

CITY POLICE MAY ENFORCE SUNDAY CLOSING IN COUNTY TO-DAY; CHIEF KIELY AND 35 MEN VISIT DELMAR TRACK; NO ARRESTS MADE

DESMOND AND McNAMEE WITH THE BADGES THAT COST \$1 EACH

LAW ON SENDING POLICE TO COUNTY

Section 14. The Metropolitan Police force of the city of St. Louis, as now established by law, shall be maintained at the cost of the city of St. Louis. Provided, however, that the Metropolitan Police of the city of St. Louis shall have the same power and jurisdiction in the county of St. Louis as constituted in this Scheme as now provided by law. Provided, that upon a petition of the County Court of St. Louis County the Board of Police Commissioners shall appoint and equip not more than twenty policemen, as provided in the act approved March 13, 1867, for duty in said county. The cost of equipping and maintaining said police shall be paid by the county as hereinafter established.

MOUNTED POLICE AND SPECIAL OFFICERS AT ENTRANCE TO DELMAR RACE TRACK.



PHOTOGRAPHED INSIDE DELMAR RACE TRACK, WEARING THE CARD BOARD THAT ENTITLED THEM TO ADMISSION TO GRAND STAND.



THE DIAGRAM SHOWS THE POSITION OF THE MOUNTED POLICE AND THE DETECTIVES AND SPECIAL OFFICERS AT GATE WAITING FOR THE ARRIVAL OF PRESIDENT STEWART, CHIEF KIELY AND CHIEF DESMOND.

DETECTIVE SQUAD HEADED BY STEWART AND KIELY GO TO DELMAR RACE TRACK

Demanding Admission as State Officers in the Name of Governor Folk. City Police Are Refused Admission Until They Pay Their Way In.

CONFERENCES FOLLOW, BUT NO ARRESTS MADE

After the invasion of Delmar race track yesterday afternoon by the police it was announced that the police would be sent into St. Louis County to-day to enforce the closing laws and arrest all dramsop keepers who violate the law.

Captain McNamee will be ordered to take enough detectives and special officers to the county to enforce the laws, and Chief Kiely says that the force would be ample.

Creve Coeur Lake, West End Heights, Meramec Highlands and all other resorts where the law has been violated will be visited and the laws rigidly enforced.

The police will keep an eye also on the grafters, sure-thing men, gamblers and other lawbreakers who have infested the county for so long, and will arrest them on sight.

Armed with a letter from Governor Folk authorizing them to arrest offenders against the gambling laws, President Stewart of the Police Board, Chiefs Kiely and Desmond and a force of mounted and foot police and detectives, numbering in all about forty men, went out to the Delmar track yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

They were met at the gates by Samuel W. Adler of the track association, who refused them admission unless they paid their way in. After a short parley they did so, and ten of them were admitted.

They proceeded through the stand and betting ring, but no arrests were made, as they found no evidence of gambling at the track at the time.

The letter of Governor Folk was read to Mr. Adler in his office in the presence of his counsel, and, after a conference, the police returned to the city.

Chief Kiely and President Stewart refused to say what their course will be if the Delmar races are conducted to-morrow and handbooks are made. It is reported that as long as there is racing at Delmar they will continue to send a force of city police out daily to arrest offenders against the gambling law.

President Stewart probably will send a force of metropolitan police out into the county to-day to arrest violators of the Sunday closing law.

Seventy police and detectives have been mobilized at the Mounted District Station in Forest Park and the World's Fair District Station.

Governor Folk's long-expected coup against the Delmar race track was executed yesterday afternoon by President A. C. Stewart and Chief Kiely, who were in charge of a squad of thirty-five police and detectives.

The officers and police arrived at the track shortly after 4 o'clock and after admission to the track was refused them, as State officers they bought tickets of admission and were first in line to witness the sixth race from the betting ring.

No arrests were made, and after the last race Chief Kiely gave orders that the uniformed men who remained outside the gates on waiting orders, should return to the city. Mr. Stewart, Chief Kiely and Desmond and the detectives remained within the race-track inclosure until 5 o'clock, when they also returned to the city.

Under instructions from Governor Folk, a detail of St. Louis policemen will be assigned to Delmar race track daily. Any person found registering bets in violation of the law will be arrested.

It is understood that detectives who gathered evidence during the week at the track will apply for warrants against the violators before Justice Jacob of St. Louis County to-morrow.

It was announced in Jefferson City last night that Governor Folk was considering the advisability of placing a company of militia in readiness in case the police cannot cope with the situation.

The visit of the police to the track was expected and anticipated all afternoon by both track officials and those present at the races. In fact, their advent was expected much sooner than it occurred, and the line of action they should pursue had been as carefully planned out by the track officials as had the movements of the police in making the raid been planned.

When the police and their leaders arrived and had been admitted upon payment of the regular admission fee to the grand stand, they immediately pre-

ceeded to the office of the track secretary, where Mr. Stewart and Chief Kiely served to Mr. Adler and his attorney, Judge Chester H. Krum, the letter of the Governor, authorizing them to proceed to the Delmar track and make arrests of offenders against the betting laws.

After this conference they were escorted to the betting ring by Mr. Adler. There was no betting then nor a sign of a handbook in operation and the officials proceeded to view the sixth race, which was being run by that time.

After the sixth race, standing out in front of the betting ring, President Stewart, Chiefs Kiely and Desmond and members of the raiding party engaged in conversation with Mr. Adler, who explained at length the position of the track operation in conducting races at Delmar.

Mr. Adler said that the county authorities had made several arrests recently of men at the track, charged with violating the anti-race-track gambling laws, and that on these occasions the officials had secured what they considered ample evidence to convict the arrested men if they had really violated the law. Their trials would come up to-morrow, he explained, and the constitutionality of the law would not be brought into question, but the case would be tried on their merits to see whether the law in which they had conducted the handbooks constituted a violation of the law.

In the event that the State won its case, Mr. Adler told Mr. Stewart, the track operators would abide by that decision and would make no further attempt to conduct racing at Delmar.

County Prosecuting Attorney Johnston was present also at the impromptu conference and in answer to a question from Mr. Adler replied that the county authorities would be ready to have the alleged bookmaking cases go to trial to-morrow.

The conference, because of the pressure of the crowd in the betting ring, was adjourned for the second time to the se-

GOVERNOR GIVES AUTHORITY FOR POLICE TO ASSUME CONTROL IN THE COUNTY

Office of the Governor, State of Missouri, City of Jefferson, July 21, 1905.—Honorable A. C. Stewart, President Board of Police Commissioners, St. Louis, Mo.: Dear Sir—Information having come to me that a state of lawlessness exists in St. Louis County; that men backed by millions of wealth and political influence are openly committing felonies by registering bets on horse races; that dramsop-keepers in flagrant defiance of the statutes keep their places open on Sunday; that men are openly held up and robbed in the orgies and the general debauchery following the violations of this law; that gamblers ply their trade uninterrupted and scoff at the authority of the State; that the laws of the State are nullified and the statutes of the State trampled in the dust, and the honor of the State assailed without interference or hindrance, and that the local officials either cannot or will not uphold the laws there; and

Whereas, such condition cannot be tolerated in Missouri; and

Whereas, it is the sworn duty of the executive to execute the laws of the State; and

Whereas, the Metropolitan Police Force of the city of St. Louis is by the scheme separating the city and the county, which was voted upon by the people of the whole county in accordance with the Constitution, given the same jurisdiction in the county as in the city; and

Whereas, the Governor, as the supreme conservator of the peace throughout the State has the right to call on the Metropolitan Police as a part of the military arm of the State, to preserve peace and order and suppress outlaws;

Now, therefore, in order to maintain the peace and dignity of the State and to preserve the majesty of the laws of the State, you are hereby directed to instruct the Chief of Police of the city of St. Louis to detail fifty officers, or more, for duty in St. Louis County, with orders to proceed, with all convenient speed, to Delmar race track in said County of St. Louis, and there arrest any and all persons feloniously registering bets, and to seize and hold as evidence all money, papers and paraphernalia connected with said felonies. When so arrested the felons will be taken by the officers before some Justice of the Peace of the county and warrants sworn out for them, with the officers as witnesses, in the usual way. The arrests must continue from day to day so long as the felonies are committed. The officers should be further instructed to see that the dramsop laws and the gambling laws are observed and to close all dramsops found to be open contrary to the statute in such cases made and provided, and to arrest all persons found violating such laws. These outlaws, when so arrested, will be turned over to the Sheriff and warrants sworn out for them before a Justice of the Peace, in the manner and form above set out. Every arrest should be by the officer who himself sees the crime committed, and by no other. Very respectfully,

(Signed) JOS. W. FOLK, Governor.

among the officials, track employees and regular frequenters of the track.

SAID ADLER EXPLAINED HANDBOOK BETTING.

President Stewart was asked as he left the office: "What was the conference about, Mr. Stewart?"

"Mr. Adler was explaining," replied Mr. Stewart, "how the handbook betting is conducted at the track, or, rather," he corrected, laughingly, "how it is not conducted there."

Mr. Stewart in answer to the question what would be the future line of conduct by the Police Department relative to the race track if it remained open Monday, replied:

"That will be given out later on at headquarters."

Chief Kiely was asked for what purpose the police had made the raid, and he answered that it was to arrest anyone found violating the anti-race-track gambling laws. "But," he added, "when we arrived here no betting was to be seen, and no one to arrest."

Louis Colla said, when he had received word that the police were approaching: "Admission will be refused to them unless they pay their way in. We do not recognize their jurisdiction in this part of the State. If they use force in entering, of course we will be obliged to admit them. I have instructed the gatesmen not to admit the police unless they show admission badges, but not to resort to armed resistance if they should force their way in."

At the same time a signal bell in the grand stand tinkled violently, and the word spread through the grand stand, betting ring, paddock and track: "The police are coming in, the police are coming in."

The police arrived at 4:04, exactly. In the square were twenty-five foot policemen, who came from the World's Fair station by street car. The men were in command of Lieutenant McKenna, who drew them up in ranks just outside of the gates. Here they waited for the arrival of the mounted police, President Stewart, Chiefs Kiely and Desmond and the detective squad.

Shortly after the arrival of the foot police the post call was sounded for the fifth race and the horses were started for that race at 4:11.

Comparatively few persons remained in the grand stand to witness the race, however, as the movements of the police, how, of more interest just then. Many of the women in the grand stand became frightened when it was known that the police were waiting outside the gates, but a track employee went through the stand reassuring them, and most of them decided to remain and witness the "fun."

For the first two or three races there was no betting, except between spectators, and the little groups of eager speculators pressing about a stand in the betting ring, indicating the presence of a handbook stand, were entirely missing.

After the third race, however, at one stand a bet could be placed, but whether the speculator was one of the regulars or a newcomer, or whether he used the same system of handbook betting as has been used since the meeting began, could not be ascertained because of the density of the crowd about him.

There was hardly any fever of betting in the crowd, however, as the expectations of the throng were pretty well keyed up to the looked-for raid of the police.

As the afternoon wore away, however, and no police appeared, the more timid took hope.

There was a perceptible nervousness

CHIEF KIELY'S MEN WILL KEEP "LID" DOWN TIGHT IN THE COUNTY TO-DAY

Captain McNamee Ordered to Take Enough Detectives and Special Officers to Arrest Violators of Sunday Closing Law.

TO LOOK OUT FOR "SURE-THING" GAMBLERS.

Chief of Police Kiely said last night, unless they give bond immediately, will be taken to the Clayton jail.

The police will act to-day on the order received from Governor Folk yesterday by President Stewart of the Board of Police Commissioners.

If they find any gambling or thefts, such as have been reported from the county for more than a year, they will make arrests under the Governor's order. All incidents shown will be raided, and any orgies or other acts of lawlessness will be reported to Chief Kiely, who will inform Governor Folk.

In selecting men for this duty to-day Chief Kiely says he will pick only those who are known to be entirely capable and trustworthy.

"Any man that I send to the county to-morrow will do his duty and follow orders to the letter, or he will have to appear before the Board of Police Commissioners," declared Chief Kiely.

"We do not expect any trouble or resistance, but the force will be sufficiently large to insure the proper enforcement of Governor Folk's orders."

Several men will be sent to each place, it is said, the detectives first watching to see if any liquor is sold and then making the arrest immediately. Delmar Garden also will be watched.

The detectives will look out for the "sure-thing" men who have been operating in the county, most of whom are well known to all city detectives. If any of them are caught talking to strangers whom the detectives believe they intend to attempt to fence they will be arrested.

Chief Kiely will not go to the county himself to-day. He will leave the entire matter to Captain McNamee of the Mounted District, who, he says, is conversant with the situation.

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